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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VOURS ROAD OL.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, APRIL 5TH, 1905.

The last word has not been said about the naval re-organisation of Sir JOHN FISHER, which is responsible for the departure of a number of obsolete British craft from Chinese waters. Hongkong opinion, whether swayed by "Imperial thinking" or not, was by way of approving the change, as well as the ideas which inspired it. Further north they have been longer in making up their minds; and it is only on the 30th March that our Shanghai contemporary gives voice to opinions diametrically opposed to those we ventured to offer on the 24th January. On that occasion we incidentally remarked, *a propos* quite another issue, that "it is only those who disagree with and oppose us that we dub stupid," so perhaps it is wise to hasten to add that we have no desire to allow our contemporary to apply this casual remark to itself, while we proceed to consider its belated comments on the British naval re-organisation scheme. Our contemporary says: "Unfortunately for us, the very heterogeneous concourse of political atoms composing Mr. BALFOUR's Cabinet is strikingly destitute of imagination. No member of it, from Lord LANDSDOWNE to the present Lord SALISBURY, seems to have the least idea of the value of prestige. The sacrifices which the British army and navy made in the past in the Far East were repaid not only in the immediate results, but even more in the prestige they conferred on the British nation and its representatives here. Intangible prestige may be, it is yet an invaluable asset, and its value can be maintained by a very little

care and attention, while it can be very easily lost, and it is recovered with difficulty if it is once lost." In this there is much with which, knowing the characteristic Chinese capacity for estimating the values of others, we may not quarrel. But in referring to the absence of the imaginative gift in the British Government, does our esteemed contemporary not lay itself open to a straight *tu quoque*? Why suggest, as it suggests, that we intend to rely upon the Germans for help in policing the Yangtze, in any case where our remaining forces prove inadequate? Has the history of the past year so stimulating power over our contemporary's imagination? Is there no Japanese fleet, and no Anglo-Japanese alliance? Is our earlier comments we remarked that "the survival of the Japanese fleet, after a formidable struggle, should argue, supporting our alliance to hold firm, less need for the services of this [China] squadron in the future." That alliance, which we believe will be renewed and strengthened, was not made without any imagination as to its possibilities; and it was undoubtedly intended to benefit both parties. Does this scheme of Admiral FISHER's not exhibit one form of benefit that we receive? Regarded in this way, a way that, after all, needs no colossal imagination, we are unable to see how "the wholesale reduction of the British naval force in these waters is not merely a very heavy blow to our prestige, but it is a serious danger." If we did not know that the *N.C. Daily News* was sound on that point, we should take that "serious danger" to be another Yellow Peril story. On reading further, it appears that our Shanghai friends have in mind another anti-foreign rising, and that it goes so far as to suggest that a retention of the pre-reform system would prevent that. Were there no British ships on the China station five years ago? Why did "the sight of the flag on a British man-of-war" not operate preventively then? The further suggestion that Sir GERARD NOEL is at present "helpless" for such a small job as that of hunting up and exploding the derelict mines now endangering shipping in the north is nonsense. The fact probably is that in this matter everybody's business has been regarded as nobody's business. The ship that China detailed for this work was, quite naturally, laid up in Taku dock, and is there yet, and the British ships have been too busy with Fleet boxing competitions and the like to worry about interfering with a task that merchantmen are spasmodically performing. As for the *Ted and Wigdon* being far less useful than the discarded *Bramble* and *Brilliant*, that is a point for experts, who apparently differ, for we have listened to a contrary opinion.

We have said that we do not disagree with our contemporary as to the importance of prestige. Nor do we, but there may be more than one way of securing and retaining it. Sir JOHN FISHER's ships, though fewer, are more likely to keep the Chinese awake to our prestige than were the vessels that we ventured to call "portable residences for naval tea-parties." Or, more exactly, they are much less likely to cause us to suffer loss in that respect than were the vessels withdrawn. Of course, when our contemporary speaks of the frequent sight of the British flag inspiring or re-inspiring prestige, it is mere hyperbole. We know how bravely the Russian flag has been flaunted all over north China, and how firmly was Russian prestige even before the Japanese lowered it still more. Finally, when our contemporary expresses the opinion that the British ships at river ports should be sufficiently numerous to "keep up our prestige *vis-à-vis* our excellent friends the Japanese," we think it is so "desitute of imagination" that it has failed to recognise what we imagine may well have been one of the intentions of the parties to the Anglo-Japanese contract.

A report of the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company's meeting appears on page 5.

The Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart left by the *Armand D'Arville* for Japan on a holiday.

Two Chinamen were yesterday sentenced to two months' hard labour and three hours' stocks for fraud. They passed a washed ring on to a pawnbroker as gold, borrowing \$150 on it.

The preliminary heats in connection with the following races in the V.R.C. athletic sports will be run off on Friday at 5.30 p.m.—120 yards flat race, 120 yards hurdle race and 220 yards flat race.

Sydney Arthur Gilchrist, a gunner in the R.G.A., was charged at the Magistrate's yesterday with stealing a gold ring valued at \$3 from the wife of a sergeant in the Army Pay Department, and with passing it for \$4 to a Chinaman at No. 30, Queen's Road East. The pawnbroker was also charged. The case was remanded.

It is said that the new Japanese loan is sufficient for Japan to carry on the war for another year and a-half, when Japan expects the war to be ended.

A small fire occurred at No. 76, Des Vours Road, a medicine shop, yesterday morning shortly before one o'clock. The Brigade turned out and confined the outbreak to the kitchen where it originated. The damage was very small.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. F. A. Hazland inquired into the cause of death of a prisoner who died in Victoria Gaol. He was doing six weeks' hard labour for a conviction under the Opium Ordinance. He died from natural causes.

The *N.C. Daily News* understands it is the intention of the Directors of the Shanghai Waterworks Company to recommend at the next annual meeting a final dividend for the past year of thirty-seven shillings and six pence (37/6) per share at exchange 2/7.

Presence of mind in the witness-box is perhaps one of the most valuable qualities a man can possess. "Sir," said counsel sternly to a gentleman of Boston, "look me in the eye, and answer this question"—"Which eye?" asked the Bostonian plaintively.

One day last month was declared by an expert to be the centenary of the departure of Noah from the Ark. Of late these things seem to have been determined with mathematical accuracy. A historian has calculated that the Creation took place on the 22nd of September, at four o'clock in the afternoon.—*Globe*.

In his article on Infanticide in last Saturday's issue of *Meng's Chinese Miscellany*, "General" Mesny makes some very pertinent remarks on the burning question of the fate of Eurasian girls, which has become and will increasingly become, such a serious matter wherever there are large foreign communities, in the East. The facts that he gives are, says the *N.C. Daily News*, widely known, but they are brushed up as far as possible, though a day of reckoning must come.

The *Daily Chronicle* says that in America the colour question is becoming complicated. For there now are not only negroes but Filipinos to be dealt with. At the State University at Indianapolis there are several Filipino men who have been caught flirting with their feminine classmates. Hence the introduction of a Bill in the Indiana Legislature to prohibit the intermarriage of Filipinos and Americans. Several of the States already forbid the legal union of Americans and "coloured persons."

At the quarterly communication of Grand Lodge of English Freemasons on 1st March at Freemasons' hall, Earl Amherst, Pro Grand Master, presiding, the Duke of Connaught was for the fifth time unanimously elected Most Worshipful Grand Master. Mr. Stanley J. Attenborough was elected Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year. Moved by Earl Amherst seconded by Mr. T. F. Halsey, M.P., a resolution was carried congratulating the Grand Master on the betrothal of the Princess Margaret of Connaught, and voting 250 guineas for a wedding present, its selection to be left to her Royal Highness.

Our Shanghai contemporary is going to give a slightly American atmosphere to its Chinese news. It announces:—  
To avoid the clumsiness of giving the names of the Chinese provinces in full, where the name of a town or city is mentioned, we propose to use in future the following abbreviations:—  
Anhui ..... An. Kiangsu ..... Ka.  
Chihing ..... Chi. Kwangtung ..... Kt.  
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Kiangsi ..... Ki. Yunnan ..... Yu.  
Manchuria ..... Man.

No. 2 of Vol. 1 of *The Far East*, the monthly magazine edited at Shanghai by Mr. C. Fink, is an exceptionally interesting number, if only for the excellent Chinese map of the world that is reproduced and discussed on a gentleman describing a visit to Japan tells how he saw at Osaka a lot of Japanese carrying water up a hill to a temple, where it was poured out in the hope of inducing the Supreme Being to send much needed rain. He addressed an English speaking Japanese who was so engaged, as follows:—  
"I expressed my opinion that it would be far more sensible if he and his friends and companions were to use the water of the offering for the benefit of their own rice and sweet-potato fields, instead of laboriously bringing it up the hill and pouring it out in a useless stream. With a smile he looked me over from head to foot, shrugged his shoulders and then turned his back on me, without vouchsafing a single word." We can imagine that the Japanese thought a great deal, if he was too polite to say anything. Mr. F. Boehm, the tourist concerned, has something to learn yet.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* arrived at Yokohama at 12.30 p.m. on Monday, the 3rd inst., and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 4 p.m. yesterday.

The Indo-China str. *Nansang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on the 17th inst.

The O.B.S. & C.M. steamer *Laertes* left Singapore on the 3rd inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 8th inst.

The O.B.S. & C.M. str. *Tydeus*, from Pacific ports is due to leave Moji on 11th inst., for Shanghai and Hongkong, and is due here on the 20th inst.

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

## ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

## EXCHANGE OF COURTESIES.

LONDON, 4th April.

The newly formed Atlantic fleet is to visit Brest in July.

The French fleet is to visit Spithead in August.

The King is expected to meet President Loubet on Thursday.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE GRAND NATIONAL.

LONDON, 1st April.

"Kirkland" ..... 1  
"Napper Tandy" ..... 2  
"Backway" ..... 3

## THE JAPANESE LOAN.

LONDON, 2nd April.

The subscriptions to the American half of the Japanese loan amounted to nearly £100,000,000.

## THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY'S TOUR.

LONDON, 2nd April.

The Kaiser has left Gibraltar for Port Mahon and Naples.

The Times remarks it is not surprising that the Queen left Gibraltar a few hours before the Emperor's arrival considering that he came directly after an overt demonstration against the Anglo-French entente.

The scrupulous adherence of England to the Anglo-French agreement on the occasion of the Kaiser's visit, gives satisfaction in France.

## THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

## RUSSIAN WAR PARTY ASCENDANT.

LONDON, 4th April.

In Russia, the idea of peace is now being abandoned, owing to the complete ascendency gained by the war party.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE THIRD BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, 2nd April.

Admiral Nibogoff's third Baltic squadron has passed Perim making for Jibuti.

## PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

LONDON, 2nd April.

Official denials of peace parleying are plentiful, but there is a firm conviction on the Paris and St. Petersburg bourses that peace is approaching.

## SUPPLIES FOR VLADIVOSTOCK.

LONDON, 2nd April.

Ten trains are leaving Russia daily laden with commissariat and war material for Vladivostok in view of a forthcoming siege.

## A VERY SUSPICIOUS CASE.

FIRE AND INSURANCE.

Mr. W. H. T. Davis, the chairman of the Fire Association, yesterday unfolded to a *Daily Press* reporter a tale of a very suspicious case. As we are advised that no charge can be laid against the man concerned, we are obliged to refrain from publishing many of the particulars gleaned.

It appears, however, that a certain fire insurance policy has been cancelled, in consequence of trustworthy information received from the police.

The insurer was, as a matter of course, a Chinese tradesman. He not only removed the bulk of his goods, but he also advised his tenants on another floor to move. Neighbours, learning this, and fearing for their own safety, gave information to the police.

The police went to the house and found all things ready for a pretty blaze. Two hundred dollars worth of goods were left to be burned, and these were insured for more than ten times their value.

Inspector Collett left a constable in charge, and communicated with Mr. Davis, who himself visited the place, and found a lot of shavings on an upper floor, all the shutters closed, and the insured stock-in-trade depleted as reported.

He spoke warmly of Inspector Collett and the police, but for whom more fires would occur. If there is any way of punishing the rascal concerned, by banishment or otherwise, we hope it will be availed of.

## THE BALTIC SQUADRONS.

Reports are in circulation to the effect that the First Division of the Baltic Squadron embarked a number of supplementary officers to whom it was intended to assign the command of vessels acquired from foreign countries. According to some rumours, three cruisers have been bought in this way, and, according to others, even more.

The matter has been brought up in connection with the grant of the Third Class of the Order of St. Vladimir to Lieutenant Epanchin, the Russian naval attaché in Paris, "for the skillful performance of tasks imposed upon him."

It is impossible to say when the principal vessel, the *Slava*, will be ready for sea, while the *Rus*, which returned to Libau, has developed defects in her boilers.

## HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held in the Board Room yesterday afternoon. Dr. F. Clark (President) presided, and there were also present Hon. Mr. W. Chatham (Vice President), Mr. F. J. Bodeley, Hon. Mr. A. W. Brawn, Col. W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C., Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Mr. A. Ramjahn, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr. H. Macfarlane, Dr. Moore, Dr. Pearce, and Mr. G. N. Orme (Secretary).

## A NEW SECRETARY.

The President—His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Orme Secretary of the Sanitary Board pending the return of Mr. Woodcock (Applause).

## MR. HEWETT'S SUCCESSOR.

Mr. POLLOCK—Have you got any information as to what the Government is going to do regarding a successor to Mr. Hewett during his absence?

The PRESIDENT—The Ordinance lays down that till a member has been absent for six months a successor cannot be appointed unless the member resigns, and Mr. Hewett has not resigned.

Mr. POLLOCK—Though there is such a rule, on another similar occasion it was said that measures would be taken to prevent such action in the future.

The PRESIDENT—I will make enquiries and let the members know.

## CEMETERY BY-LAWS.

The Secretary of the Sanitary Board on the 23rd March wrote to the Colonial Secretary, saying that at the meeting of the Board, on the 21st March, the principles of sanitation relative to the burial of bodies were discussed, and, upon hearing the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health, it was felt that the requirement of a depth of seven feet for graves implied an unnecessary expense upon the public without safeguarding the public health in any way. It was accordingly decided to amend Sections four and fourteen of the Cemeteries By-laws by substituting "five" for "seven."

His Excellency the Governor replied that he was not prepared to agree to any amendment of Cemetery By-laws Nos. four and fourteen on the lines indicated by the Board's resolution.

## CHINESE TRANSLATIONS.

The Registrar General (Hon. Mr. Brawn) forwarded a minute relative to the furnishing of Chinese translations of letters written by the Board to Chinese. He said:—Towards the end of last year there was a discussion at a meeting of the Board as to the furnishing of Chinese translations of letters written by the Board to Chinese. I have since been told that a stamp in Chinese is affixed to each letter to Chinese telling them to apply at the Board's office if they want it interpreted. I have seen numerous letters from the Sanitary Department, but I have never yet seen this stamp affixed, and I learn from enquiries that it is not on every letter. If the present procedure is to be adhered to it would be advisable (1) to have the notice printed on the letter paper (2) to alter the notice to read "an explanation of this letter will be given on application at the Board's office or at a District Office between the hours of . . . and . . ." People should not be compelled to come to the Central office from Kowloon, Causeway Bay or Kennedy Town. Thirdly, there should also be a notice in English to the effect that District Inspectors are directed to explain this communication. Fourthly, the instructions to these inspectors should contain an instruction that it is part of their duty to explain these letters, and a fixed time should be given when the inspectors should be in attendance at their offices.

The Secretary of the Board replied:—The stamp referred to reads as follows:—  
"If you do not understand English and do not know what is written in this letter go to the Sanitary Board for information and translation." This is impressed on all letters sent from this office or forms partly printed such as letters to non-compliance with building, limewashing, nuisance and other notices. The letters which are entirely typewritten are comparatively few, and are mostly addressed to Chinese who have written to the Board in English.

Mr. Ramjahn minuted—All notices should be translated similar to those for filling up rat runs.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minuted—I agree with the Hon. Registrar General. All the inspectors should be instructed to explain when asked. I may say that in the majority of cases people are prosecuted and fined more for ignorance and want of explanation than for willful negligence or non-compliance.

The REGISTRAR GENERAL moved that the stamp on the Sanitary Board letters be altered so as to inform the recipient that explanations of the letters are obtainable at the Central and Branch offices of the Sanitary Board, and that the inspectors be instructed to see to such translations and explanations.

Mr. LAU CHU PAK, seconded and it was carried.

## APPLICATIONS.

The following applications were refused:—Application for exemption from carrying out certain works in respect of the maces' quarters in the stables on Kowloon Island Lot No. 325. Application for a modification of the requirements in respect of Nos. 408 to 426, Des Vours Road West.

## SHAM SHUI PO MARKET.

Mr. Adam Gibson, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, wrote:—The ground surface of the Sham Shui Po Market is in a very bad condition. There are no proper channels for the surface water and it forms pools here and there and is very offensive. The whole surface ought to be levelled and concreted, and side channels made.

I understand that the Government has not a jot taken over this market, but that the *kaifong* of the village arranges the letting of the spaces and collects rents. These, it is said, amount to from \$20 to \$30 per annum according to their position. I beg to suggest that the *kaifong* be approached to see if they are willing to do something to improve the present state of affairs, and if not the Government take over the place and put it in a sanitary condition. I do not suggest that a market should be erected there in the meantime, but simply that the ground surface be made impervious to water and vermin and that the occupants erect their own fittings as is done at present.

The REGISTRAR GENERAL minuted:—It is out of the question getting the *kaifong* to do anything unless they can be guaranteed the revenue from these stalls for some time. I hear the annual revenue amounts to between \$200 and \$250 and goes to religious ceremonies and the upkeep of the temple.

The PRESIDENT—Sham Shui Po market is in an insanitary condition. The building is owned by a committee of the inhabitants of Kowloon City. Something has to be done.

The REGISTRAR GENERAL—I think we ought to ask the Government to have the surface levelled and concreted, and to allow these people to put up stalls there as usual—to put the place in a sanitary condition at the cost of the Government. The cost would not be much. I move accordingly.

Mr. LAU CHU PAK seconded and it was carried.

## OPIUM DIVANS AND LAUNDRIES.

Re an application for the ground floor of a house in McGregor Street to be registered as a public laundry the Registrar General minuted:—How many public laundries are there in Victoria, and how many opium divans? This kind of having the floors of these places concreted, quite a new one, will result in the ground floors of Victoria being monopolised by these licensed premises. The next thing will be a recommendation that all lodging-house floors be concreted.

The President replied:—  
Total Chinese houses 8,476  
" laundries 37  
" opium divans 68  
This represents 1.2 per cent.

## WATER ANALYSES.

The Government Analyst's (Mr. Frank Brown) reports for the month of March show that the water of the various public supplies is of excellent quality.

## MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The mortality statistics for the week ended the 18th March, show the following figures at a death rate per thousand per annum:—British and foreign community, 34.9; previous week, 39.9; corresponding week last year, 10.3. Chinese population, 15.2; previous week, 14.7; corresponding week last year, 13.0.

## LIMEWASHING RETURN.

The limewashing return for the fortnight ended the 28th March, shows that 4,260 houses were treated in the eastern district and 3,534 in the central district.

## RAT RETURN.

During the week ended the 1st April, 468 rats (23 being infected) were caught in Victoria, and 213 (18 infected) at Kowloon.

## THE MEAT QUESTION.

If the statements appearing in our yesterday's issue on the authority of "A Hongkong Cattle Man" respecting the prices at which the Dairy Company are able to purchase frozen meat in Australia are correct, the public would agree with "Cattle-man" that the Dairy Farm Company must be making very substantial profits. But Mr. Seth, the Secretary of the Company, in an interview, traversed "the Cattleman's" facts, and smiled at his conclusions. The Dairy Farm Company, said the "Cattle-man," charges 30 cents per lb for beef, while the Chinese butchers charge only 22 cents.

Mr. Seth explains that the charge of 30 cents is for prime cuts only; and the Chinese also charge 30 cents for prime cuts. Dairy Farm prices range from 30 cents to 16 cents while Chinese prices range from 30 cents to 14 cents. "Cattle-man" argued that as it costs only 34d. per lb to land Australian frozen beef in England, it should cost only 24d. per lb to land it in Hongkong. As a matter of fact, Mr. Seth says, the freight to London is one quarter of what it is to Hongkong, so that the c.i.f. value in Hongkong would be higher than in London without taking into account the larger shipments made to London which would enable purchases to be made on more favourable terms than could be secured for such consignments as would meet the requirements of Hongkong.

Mr. Seth added that his Company had never yet been able to buy in Australia at 24d. per lb the quality of mutton and beef imported by them. He further pointed out that in his estimate of what the price should be "Cattle-man" had not taken into his consideration the large percentage of waste when a carcass is cut up.

When everything is considered the conclusion is reached that the Dairy Farm are rotting frozen meat at as low a figure as they can possibly afford, and we believe we are not mistaken in saying though freight is so much dearer to Hongkong than to London, the meat is retailed at lower rates here than in England.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 4th at 12.10 p.m. The barometer has continued to rise over China and W. Japan.

In E. Japan it has fallen.

The area of high pressure is central over Mid-China and pressure remains low over the Pacific to the South of Japan.

Gradients are slight on the China coast and moderate N.E. winds will prevail in the Formosa Channel.


Strong N.E. winds may be expected over the N. part of the China Sea, where gradients are rather steep.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1905. [51]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.  
COMFORTABLY FURNISHED  
ROOMS, with Board.  
Apply to Mrs. MATHER,  
2, Pedders Hill.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1905.

## COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.,  
have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Cold  
Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will  
be Open at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily, Sunday,  
excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.  
WM. PARLANE, Manager.  
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [55]

THE  
DIRECTOR AND CHRONICLE  
FOR 1905  
IS NOW READY.

Complete Edition ... \$10.00  
Small ... 6.00  
Obtainable at the Hongkong Daily Press Office  
and from the Local Booksellers.

## INTIMATIONS.

## WANTED.

TWO Gentlemen require BOARD and RESIDENCE in Private Family.  
Apply to—  
P. S.,  
Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [817]

## WANTED.

AN EXPERT TYPEWRITER, Good Salary to a Quick Worker.  
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [874]

## GODOWN WANTED.

WANTED from the 1st of July, 1905,  
A SMALL GODOWN near the  
Hongkong Hotel.  
Particulars by letter to—  
BOX 157,  
Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [875]

## LESSONS IN FRENCH.

NEW and easy method of learning French  
in a few months, mainly by conversation  
with a Frenchman. Terms very moderate.  
Also Lessons in English by an English Lady.  
B. R.,  
Care of Office of this Paper.  
Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [49]

## C. LAZARUS &amp; CO.

60 & 61, BENTINCK STREET,  
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## BILLIARD TABLES

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## ACCESSORIES

Manufactured entirely in Calcutta of  
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CALIBRE 7.63 mm.  
With CHAMBER for 10 CARTRIDGES  
FIRING 10 SHOTS IN 2 SECONDS.  
NIEMSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1900. [25]

DAVID CORSAIR & SON'S  
MERCHANT NAVY  
NAVY BOILED  
LONG FLAX  
RELIANCE CROWN  
TARPAULING  
ARNHOLD, KARBBERG & CO.,  
Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. [910]

NOTICES OF FIRMS  
THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Resumed Charge of the  
Company's Business.  
GEO. L. TOMLIN,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 29th March, 1905. [844]

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPON-  
SIBILITY of Mr. CHARLES  
STEWART SHARP in our Firm ceased  
on the 31st March last.  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [873]

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, OF HAMBURG.

WE BEG TO GIVE NOTICE that we  
have resigned the Agency of the  
above-named Company from this day.  
SIEMSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. [876]

## AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION.  
THE Undersigned has received instructions  
to sell by Public Auction,  
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),  
the 8th APRIL, 1905, at 2.30 p.m., at his  
Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,  
A COLLECTION OF  
SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,  
CARPETS and RUGS,  
CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED  
WARE.  
One JINRICKSHA.  
And Sundry other Goods.  
Terms of Sale:—As Customary.  
V. I. REMEDIOS,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [885]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions  
to sell by Public Auction,  
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),  
the 8th APRIL, 1905, commencing at 2.30 p.m.,  
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
A COLLECTION OF  
FINE BRONZE VASES, and INCENSE  
BURNERS, &c.;  
SILVER CLOISONNE VASES and  
BOWLS, &c.;  
SATSUMA VASES, JARS, BOWLS and  
INCENSE BURNERS, &c.;  
OLD CUT VELVET hangings;  
SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS, &c.;  
And  
A SELECTION OF  
FINE WATER-COLOURS.  
Terms:—As Customary.  
On View from Wednesday, the 5th April.  
GEO. F. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. [861]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the Company will be held in  
the COMPANY'S OFFICES, "St. George's"  
Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria,  
on SATURDAY, the 8th April, 1905, at 11  
a.m. for the year ending 31st December, 1904,  
declaring a Dividend and Electing a Con-  
sulting Committee and Auditors.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 5th  
to Saturday, the 8th April, both days inclusive.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1905. [822]

## WM. POWELL, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account  
of the year 1904-5, at the Rate of Fifty  
cents per Share, will be Payable at the Hong-  
kong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and  
after the 10th of April.  
The REGISTER of SHARES and  
TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from  
Wednesday, 5th April until Monday, 10th  
April, both days inclusive, during which period  
no Transfers can be Registered.  
By Order of the Board of Directors.  
E. A. MOUNTFORD WILLIAMS,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. [859]

## THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of  
the above Company will be held at the  
OFFICES of the Company, St. George's  
Building, on SATURDAY, the 15th April,  
1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a State-  
ment of Accounts to the 31st December, 1904,  
and the Report of the General Manager and  
Consulting Committee and to Elect a Con-  
sulting Committee and Auditor.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 15th day  
of April, both days inclusive.  
J. WHEELLEY,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 28th March, 1905. [868]

## Under the Patronage of H.E. the GOVERNOR.

## THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

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## TO-NIGHT!

Received Last Night with Tremendous  
Applause.  
Every Item Encored.  
TO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), 5th April,  
(Last Concert).  
SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late  
P. Blackhead & Co. and Shawson, Tomes & Co.'s  
Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with  
Godowns can be let separately on leases.  
Apply to—  
CHUNG SHUN KOO,  
12 & 14, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [82]

## TO-NIGHT!!

Complete Change of Programme each Concert.  
Programme includes a Unique Collection  
GLEE, MADRIGALS, CATCHES,  
NATIONAL BALLADS,  
of  
ENGLAND, IRELAND, SCOTLAND and WALES.  
HUMOROUS MUSICAL SKETCHES.  
FOUR BOY SOLO SOPRANOS.  
LONDON CATHEDRAL CHOISTERS.  
Box Office Robinson Piano Co.  
Prices \$3, 2 & 1. Concert 9-11 p.m.  
Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. [604]

## THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

## HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC

## CLUB.

## ONE SUMMER'S DAY

## A COMEDY IN 3 ACTS.

BY H. V. ESMOND,  
will be produced  
FRIDAY, 7th APRIL, 1905.  
SATURDAY, 8th " "  
MONDAY, 10th " "  
Prices... \$3, \$2 & \$1.  
Sailors and Soldiers in uniform Half-Price  
to Pit Stalls and Pit.  
Boxing Office at ROBINSON PIANO  
COMPANY, open on and after Monday, 3rd  
April, from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. each day.  
ARTHUR CHAPMAN,  
Business Manager.  
Hongkong, 28th March, 1905. [837]

## THE HONGKONG RIFLE

## ASSOCIATION.

## MEMBERS Holding SPOON orders are

requested to present them at Messrs.  
WANG HING'S on or before the 15th April  
next, as the Association is winding up.  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [877]

## TELEPHONE COMPANY.

## KOWLOON EXCHANGE.

THE TELEPHONE AREA WILL BE  
EXTENDED to include the whole of  
the Kowloon Peninsula on July 1st next. The  
Tariff for Telephones on Kowloon Exchange  
will be the same as in Hongkong and there will  
be free intercommunication between the two  
areas.  
The Company's Exchanges are open day  
and night all the year round.  
As the accommodation is, for the present,  
limited, intending Subscribers should commu-  
nicate at once with  
THE MANAGER.  
CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE AND  
ELECTRIC CO., LD.,  
2, Tre House Road.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. [852]

## TO LET.

## TO LET.

FURNISHED, THE CASTLE.  
For particulars, apply to—  
GEO. K. HALL BRUTTON,  
38 & 41, Des Voeux Road.  
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905. [777]

## TO LET.

EYRIE. Unfurnished. Newly repaired,  
Painted and Colourwashed.  
No. 7, BELLIOS TERRACE, 1st Row.  
No. 21, " " 3rd Row.  
No. 18, " " 3rd Row.  
No. 20, " " 3rd Row.  
No. 1, DES VOEUX VILLAS.  
BUNGALOW (Furnished), at New Terri-  
tory, Kowloon, 4 Rooms, low rental.  
"KELLET CREST" (Furnished), Peak,  
for 2 1/2 months from 15th April to 30th June,  
1905.  
2nd FLOOR in Central position, containing  
Four Large Rooms, Anteroom and Lavatory,  
&c., with use of Electric Lift. Well suited for  
Offices.  
Apply to—  
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. [90]

## TO LET.

NOS. 1 and 3 "FAIRVIEW" Robinson  
Road, Kowloon, SEMI-DETACHED  
HOUSES Five Rooms each and Garden,  
Moderate rentals.  
Apply to—  
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE &  
FINANCE CO., LD.,  
Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. [850]

## TO LET.

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables,  
entrances in both Kennedy and Mac-  
donnell Roads.  
For full particulars, apply to—  
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.  
Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [478]

## TO LET.

NOS. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.,  
Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [8]

## TO LET.

OFFICE ROOMS at Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's  
Road Central (Corner House); also  
GODOWNS at Back. Can be let separately  
or wholly. Rent moderate, cheaper if the whole  
is taken on a long lease.  
SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late  
P. Blackhead & Co. and Shawson, Tomes & Co.'s  
Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with  
Godowns can be let separately on leases.  
Apply to—  
CHUNG SHUN KOO,  
12 & 14, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [82]

## TO LET.

IN Hotel Mansions THREE OFFICES  
commanding position on Front.  
Apply to—  
M. J. D. STEPHENS, Solicitor,  
18 Bank Buildings.  
Hongkong, 29th March, 1905. [845]

## TO LET.

OFFICES in "Hotel Mansions," facing  
New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.  
Apply to—  
HENRY HUMPHREYS,  
Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. [180]

## TO LET.

LARGE AND SPACIOUS ROOM or  
OFFICE on the First Floor of No. 3,  
Queen's Road Central. Possession from 1st  
April, 1905.  
For particulars, please apply to—  
WONG CHU KANG,  
Care of Yee Sang Fat,  
Opposite the Post Office.  
Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [635]

## TO LET.

"GLENIFFER" Garden Road, Kow-  
loon, DETACHED HOUSE with  
Garden, Moderate Rental, ready for im-  
mediate occupation.  
Apply to—  
HENRY HUMPHREYS,  
or to  
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND  
FINANCE CO., LD.,  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [820]

## TO LET.

NEW STORE nearing completion to let  
in Chater Road, opposite Hongkong  
Hotel, in the heart of new business centre.  
Apply—  
Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 18th March, 1905. [748]

## FOR SALE AND TO LET.

FINE BUILDING SITES for Sale in  
Wanchai Road.  
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [272]

## TO LET.

FOUR or FIVE OFFICE ROOMS on  
First Floor of "Hotel Mansions" facing  
the New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.  
Apply—  
Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 9th March, 1905. [675]

## TO LET.

SUITABLE for Offices, TWO ROOMS in  
Prince's Building.  
Apply to—  
LAUTS, WEGENEE & CO.  
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [61]

## TO LET.

## TO LET.

NOS. 74, CAINE ROAD.  
GODOWNS Nos. 34a, 34b, 34c, Praya East.  
Apply to—  
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,  
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. [84]

## TO LET.

BRAE-SIDE, 29, Macdonnell Road, 16  
ROOMED HOUSE with Garden,  
suitable for a Moss or a Boarding House.  
Apply to—  
C. F. DE CARVALHO,  
Care of H. & S. Bank.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. [849]

## TO LET.

A WELL FURNISHED SIX ROOMED  
HOUSE, Excellent situation, Garden,  
Tennis Court and Swimming Bath.  
Apply to—  
H. HUMPHREYS.  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [492]

## TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOM with Board for two  
gentlemen at Kowloon; Tennis.  
Apply to—  
Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [882]

## TO LET.

ROOM 13 (Top Floor) Beaconsfield Arcade,  
preferably as an Office.  
Apply—  
Dr. MACLEOD,  
No. 11 Beaconsfield Arcade.  
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [883]

## TO LET.

FURNISHED BEDROOM for Two  
Gentlemen, with Board \$50 each.  
Central and healthy position.  
Apply—  
"ENGLISH,"  
Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. [890]

## TO LET.

NOS. 3, CANTON VILLAS, Kowloon.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.,  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [819]

## TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE.  
FLATS in MORTON TERRACE, facing the  
Polo Ground.  
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT  
Road (near BEAKS PIER).  
GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.  
A BUILDING at Causeway Bay, at present  
in occupation of the Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.,  
Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. [181]

## TO LET.

A. LING & CO.,  
FURNITURE STORE,  
PLATED GLASS and CROCKERY  
WARE, &c., &c.; and FOOCHOW  
LACQUERED WARE.  
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [32]

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ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—  
For 12 months ..... 4 1/2 %  
" 6 " ..... 4 %  
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E. VAN OLMSTEDT,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [28]

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Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [23]

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Hongkong, 19th May 1904. [29]

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